

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for assisting object organization comprising:
~~in response to a first object being subjected to an action, the first object having a first controlling attribute and the first controlling attribute having an associated attribute-specific list, updating the first list associated with the first controlling attribute of the first object according to a sort criterion that is a function of the performed action, the first list is one of a plurality of controlling attribute-specific lists having a defined association with a controlling attribute and having a plurality of entries ordered according to the sort criterion, the entries provide alternatives as to how the action can be performed upon objects having the first controlling attribute; and,~~
~~in response to the plurality of controlling attribute-specific lists being invoked via a second object, the second object having a second controlling attribute, displaying a second list of the plurality of controlling attribute-specific lists associated with the second controlling attribute of the second object to provide alternatives as to how the action can be performed upon the second object.~~
initializing a plurality of attribute-specific lists, each list having a defined association with a different controlling attribute and having a plurality of entries corresponding to selectable actions to be performed on an object having the associated controlling attribute, the list ordered from a most recently performed action to a least recently performed action;
invoking a first of the plurality of attribute-specific lists via a first object having a first controlling attribute, the first attribute-specific list associated with the first controlling attribute;
selecting an action from the first attribute-specific list to be performed on the first object;
reordering the first of the plurality of attribute-specific lists in accordance with the selected action, the reordering of the first of the plurality of attribute-specific lists is performed independently of the remaining attribute-specific lists;

invoking a second of the plurality of attribute-specific lists via a second object having a second controlling attribute, the second attribute-specific list associated with the second controlling attribute; and

selecting an action from the second attribute-specific list to be performed on the second objection; and

reordering the second of the plurality of attribute-specific lists in accordance with the selected action, the reordering of the second of the plurality of attribute-specific lists is performed independently of the remaining attribute-specific lists.

2. (Cancelled)
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein each of the first object and the second object corresponds to an email.
4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein the controlling attribute of each of the first object and the second object corresponds to a sender of the email.
5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein each of the first object and the second object corresponds to a file.
6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[4]] 5, wherein the controlling attribute of each of the first object and the second object corresponds to a creator of the file.
7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the action is movement to a folder.
8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the action is setting an object property.
9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the sort criterion is how recently the listed alternatives have been performed.
10. (Cancelled)

11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the method is performed by execution of a computer program by a processor from a computer-readable medium.
12. (Currently Amended) A method for dynamically maintaining and displaying attribute-specific lists comprising:
- initializing ~~at least one~~ a set of attribute-specific lists, each attribute-specific list having a defined association with an object attribute and listing selectable actions to be performed on an object having the associated object attribute;
 - updating ~~the at least one~~ a first of the attribute-specific lists based on an action performed on ~~at least one~~ an object containing the attribute associated with the first of the attribute-specific lists, the update performed independently of the remaining lists in the set of attribute-specific lists; and
 - displaying the updated attribute-specific list ~~upon an action performed on~~ via a disparate object containing the same attribute.
13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, the ~~at least one~~ selectable actions listed in the attribute-specific list comprising folders.
14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, the ~~at least one~~ attribute-specific lists initialized to be empty.
15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, the ~~at least one attribute-specific~~ object attributes comprising types of computer files.
16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, the ~~at least one~~ set of attribute-specific lists initialized based on a controlling attribute.
17. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the controlling attribute is based on at least the creator of the attribute-specific object.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the controlling attribute is based on at least the recipient of the ~~attribute-specific~~ object.
19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, further comprising sorting the attribute-specific lists based on at least one sort criterion.
20. (Original) The method of claim 19, the sort criterion corresponds to a level of priority.
21. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, the sort criterion corresponds to a time at which the ~~attribute-specific~~ object having the associated attribute was subject to the action.
22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, the sort criterion corresponds to a frequency to which the ~~attribute-specific~~ object having the associated attribute is subject to the action.
23. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, further comprising appending additional ~~attribute-specific objects~~ selectable actions to an existing attribute-specific list.
24. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, the action corresponds to movement of at least one ~~attribute-specific~~ object between attribute-specific lists.
25. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, the at least one ~~attribute-specific~~ object corresponds to email.
26. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the action corresponds to setting a property on at least one ~~attribute-specific~~ object.

27. (Currently Amended) A system comprising computer-executable instructions embodied on a computer-readable storage medium that when executed on one or more processors to facilitate dynamic object organization, comprising:

an initializing component to initialize a plurality of ~~objects~~ attribute-specific lists, each attribute-specific list having a defined association with one or more controlling attributes;

an updating component to ~~update~~ reorder a first of the plurality of ~~objects~~ attribute-specific lists based on a function performed on ~~[[an]]~~ a first object ~~subject to~~ having the associated one or more controlling attributes; and

a display component to display ~~at least one~~ the reordered first of the plurality of ~~objects~~ attribute-specific lists ~~upon an action on~~ via a second object containing the same one or more controlling attributes.

28. (Currently Amended) The system claim of 27, ~~the~~ entries in each of the plurality of ~~objects~~ attribute-specific lists comprises folders.

29. (Currently Amended) The system claim of 27, the plurality of ~~objects~~ attribute-specific lists initialized to be empty.

30. (Currently Amended) The system claim of 27, the ~~object~~ one or more controlling attributes comprising types of computer files.

31. (Currently Amended) The system claim of 27, the first and second objects comprising email.

32. (Previously Presented) The system claim of 27, the one or more controlling attributes based on at least the creator of the object.

33. (Previously Presented) The system claim of 27, the one or more controlling attributes based on at least the recipient of the object.

34. (Original) The system claim of 27, further comprising a sorting component.

35. (Original) The system claim of 34, the sorting component utilizing one or more sort criteria.
36. (Original) The system claim of 35, the one or more sort criteria based at least on a level of priority.
37. (Original) The system claim of 35, the one or more sort criteria based at least on the time at which the object was subject to the function.
38. (Original) The system claim of 35, the one or more sort criteria based at least on the frequency to which the object was subject to the function.
39. (Currently Amended) The system claim of 27, further comprising an appending component to append one or more additional ~~objects~~ entries to the plurality of ~~objects~~ attribute-specific lists.
40. (Currently Amended) The system claim of 39, the appending component utilizing the one or more controlling attributes to append the one or more additional ~~objects~~ entries to the plurality of ~~objects~~ attribute-specific lists.
41. (Currently Amended) The system claim of 27, the function being movement of at least one object ~~between the plurality of objects~~ to a selected location.
42. (Original) The system claim of 27, the function being setting at least one property on the object.

43. (Currently Amended) A system comprising computer-executable instructions embodied on a computer-readable storage medium that when executed on one or more processors to aid dynamic object organization, comprising:

means for initializing ~~one or more~~ a set of object-specific attribute-specific lists based on at least one controlling attribute, the one or more ~~object-specific attribute-specific lists~~ orderable based on one or more ordering criteria, and each attribute-specific list having a defined association with a different controlling attribute;

means for updating ~~the one or more~~ a first of the object-specific attribute-specific lists based on an action performed on one or more objects ~~subject to the at least one~~ having the controlling attribute associated with the first attribute-specific list;

means for ordering the ~~one or more~~ first of the object-specific attribute-specific lists based on the one or more ordering criteria, the ordering criteria is a function of the performed action;

means for appending one or more ~~objects~~ entries utilizing the at least one controlling attribute to the first of the attribute-specific lists; and

means for displaying the ~~one or more~~ set of object-specific attribute-specific lists.